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**Immigration agreement at hand, focus turns to details**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Big business and big labor have reached an agreement over sweeping immigration overhaul. Now, the legislators with the political capital needed to push the multi-trillion-dollar measure through Congress and win passage are looking at the potential breakthrough.

Business and labor negotiators last week said they reached a deal that would allow tens of thousands of low-skilled workers into the country and pay them fair wages. It was a last-moment staging point before the go-to deal for the senators — four Democrats, four Republicans — to sign off on the details and propose legislation. They are looking to set in motion the most dramatic changes to the faltering U.S. immigration system in more than two decades.

"There are a few details yet. But conceptually, we have an agreement between business and labor between ourselves, or at least between Democrats and Republicans," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C.

The so-called Gang of Eight’s plan would provide a new class of workers for low-skilled workers, secure the border, crack down on employers, improve legal immigration and create a 23-year pathway to citizenship for millions of illegal immigrants already here.

"With the agreement between business and labor, every major policy issue has been resolved," said Sen. Chuck Schumer, the New York Democrat who headed the labor-business talks.

But that effort hasn’t taken the form of a bill and the full chamber has yet to meet and grapple with the details. The legislation has not met with the potential breakthrough. They plan to introduce their framework when they return from recess the week of April 15 and move quickly to schedule a vote.

Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., said the hard part is done.

"That doesn’t mean we’ve covered every ‘i’ dotted or every ‘t’ crossed," Flake said.

But even as the final stages of talks begin, one member of the group urged colleagues not to get too far ahead of themselves. And believing lawmakers began appearing on Sunday shows to discuss the breakthrough. Sen. Marco Rubio warned he was concerned that the bipartisan group of eight senators have agreed on a legislative proposal are "premature." Sen. Rob Portman, a Florida Republican who is among the last minute-writers to the legislation, said Rubio, a Cuban-American who is weighing a presidential bid in 2016, is a leading figure inside his party. Last-minute deals will be closely watching any move on the agreement, and his skepticism of the process did little to encourage optimism.

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For his service to the nation during WW II and a part of the Korean War, Supervisor Tammy Kerr is Sony’s handler.

The tunnel system, which carries a four-pipe system for heating and cooling campus buildings, has been a work in progress for more than five months.

The tunnel is part of the ongoing $40 million project that has been under way for the past year.

"It’s the first lab that we’ve had that’s actually large enough to accommodate an entire class all at once," Verschueren said. "Classes aren’t very big, not having a lab where the entire class can be reached at courts@hobbsnews.com.